

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 481

By Niceley

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Alvin and Margaret Large, members of the Jefferson County Rescue Squad and Jefferson County Crewettes.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable citizens who have dedicated their time and energies to helping others; and

WHEREAS, Alvin and Margaret Large are such individuals, who have admirably served the Jefferson County Rescue Squad and Jefferson County Crewettes, respectively, and provided for the health and safety of their community; and

WHEREAS, after a drowning at the mouth of Nina Hollow, Mr. Large was asked to help the Jefferson County Rescue Squad locate the missing body, since he was more familiar with the area, and after finding the missing body that same evening, Mr. Large decided to officially join the squad later that year; and

WHEREAS, he was recognized as squad man of the month in 1968 and accompanied the other squad men from Mountain City to Memphis; and

WHEREAS, although his efforts are innumerable, it suffices to mention his participation in the 1967 Silver Bridge collision in Pleasant Point, Virginia; the thirty-day search for Dennis Martin in 1970; the simultaneous two-boat crash in Douglas Lake and drowning of a teenager in Talbott in 1990; the housing of hundreds during the 1993 blizzard; and the care of a church bus wreck on I-40 in 2013; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Large is a registered EMT and has served as second lieutenant, sergeant, and parliamentarian, in addition to being voted as one of the best boat operators in the state; and

WHEREAS, Margaret Large joined the Jefferson County Crewettes, a support group for the rescue squad, in 1971, and she has since served locally as the secretary, treasurer, and president, both previous and current, of the group; and

WHEREAS, in Region 1 of WATARS, Mrs. Large has served as parliamentarian, chaplain, treasurer, secretary, and president, and she is currently acting as vice president, a chairperson on the 1st Aide Committee, and a judge for the TARS scrapbook competition; and

WHEREAS, the Jefferson County Crewettes have won multiple awards, and Mrs. Large has attended ninety percent of TARS and WATARS conventions along with her other Crewettes; and

WHEREAS, Alvin and Margaret Large epitomize the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of true Tennesseans; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud Alvin and Margaret Large for their many contributions to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor Alvin and Margaret Large, members of the Jefferson County Rescue Squad and Jefferson County Crewettes, on their tireless efforts to help improve the lives of others and preserve the health and safety of their neighbors, and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.